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Class A All Stars Well Balanced

Paffrath, Carson Top Votegetters

Selecting the Allegheny-Kiski Valley Senior Class A All Star basketball team is always a tough chore. This year it was tougher than usual because the division lacks outstanding players of the type that stand head and shoulders above the field.

The News-Dispatch 1962 team, however, has good balance. It is made up of one player from each of the following schools: Har-Brack, New Kensington, Springdale, Plum and Knoch.

A-K Class A Senior All-Stars

First Team

Player	School	Height	Weight	Points Scored
Bruce Carson	Ken High	6-3	165	288
John Galcik	Springdale	6-2	165	247
M. Kovalchick	Plum	6-0	168	266
Larry Paffrath	Har-Brack	6-2	170	316
Bob Rothen	Knoch	6-5	190	255

Second Team: Hubie Bernat, Vandergrift; Gary Duster, Tarentum; Bill Keener, Freeport; Larry Ondako, Arnold; Bob Sulava, Leechburg.

Honorable Mention: John Grillo, Ken High; Jim Kerr, Vandergrift; George Klucinec, Tarentum; Gerald Lingenfelter, Leechburg; Andy Lyle, Ken High; Dave McClain, Freeport; Larry Molinari, Har-Brack; George Petruny, Springdale; Dan Rakowski, Springdale; John Sepich, Knoch; Rich Weleski, Knoch; Jerry Younkins, Knoch.

The first team features Bruce Carson, New Kensington, Larry Paffrath, Har-Brack; John Galcik, Springdale; Mike Kovalchick, Plum, and Bob Rothen, Knoch.

Although their respective teams did not win a section title, Carson and Paffrath were top votegetters. Rothen, the 6 foot 6 center of Knoch, District 9 champion, was third in the polling.

The team has the leading scorer in Section 11 in Kovalchick, who dumped in 140 points in 10 loop games.

The vital statistics aren't overly impressive. The team averages 6 feet 2 and scored 1,372 points in 119 games for an average of 57.5 per game — an individual average of 11.5.

Team Has Balance

However, the all - star team has good balance. Each of the five players was his team's leading scorer and rebounder. Paffrath's 316 points in 24 games tops the first team.

Paffrath is rated by his coach Gugino "as college material." Gugino added, "He was our leading scorer, rebounder and led the team in assists.

When we lost Larry Molinari, Paffrath was given additional pressure and he came through." Paffrath had a sparkling average of 43 per cent in field goal shooting.

Coach Ken Slosky of Ken High said, "Paffrath carried the ball for Har - Brack."

Slosky also spoke highly of Carson. The lanky 6-3 center ended his scholastic career last Friday night by winning the Most Valuable Player award in the Allegheny Valley Jaycee game.

Slosky said, "He was our key man offensively, a good steady player." Coaches Chuck DeVenzio of Springdale and Gugino also chipped in with same opinion of Carson.

Bruce started the year slowly but came on fast to spark Ken High to a 15-9 season.

Rothen Leads Knights

One of the best big men in the district was Knoch High's Rothen. The tall Knight, in addition to tallying 255 points, raked in 290 rebounds.

Bob played one of his best games of the season against Punxsutawney in the District 9 championship game. When he committed his third foul in the first quarter he was benched by coach Dale Mahan for precautionary measures.

The Woodchucks closed the Knights big edge to 34-29 at halftime.

Rothen re - entered the game in the third period and immediately the Knights ran away with the verdict. He finished with 18 points in the game and the bulk of the rebound.

Kovalchick Is Standout

It's very seldon that a team that wins only two of 22 games can boast an all - star player. However, Plum High had a standout in Kovalchick.

He was the player opposing coaches worried about. He was practically a one - man team for coach Jack Cummins' Mustangs. Not only did he lead the section in scoring, but in addition, he was a good man under the boards.

"Outside of Tarentum's Gabby Durkac, we thought Kovalchick was the best player in the section," said Cummings. (Durkac is a junior.)

"He was the best they had," said Freeport's Tom Parry of Plum's star.

Springdale in powering its way to the Section 11 flag relied mainly on overall team play rather than an individual star. Galcik, however, was the Dynamos' leading scorer and rebounder for the season.

The all - star second team of Vince Bernat, Vandergrift; Bob Sulava, Leechburg; Gary Duster, Tarentum, and Larry Ondako, Arnold, lacks size but has good speed. Bernat was the leading votegetter on this five.

Jerry Younkins of Knoch and George Klucinec who landed on the honorable mention list just missed nomination to the second team.

Fifth Avenue Too Classy for Knoch

Knights Ousted By 85-51

By JOE CURCIO

The city of Pittsburgh has a worthy contender for state PIAA, Class A basketball honors.

It's Fifth Avenue High School which completely dazzled Knoch out of the western regional district playoffs last night.

The Archers outclassed the Knights 85-51 before a capacity crowd of 2,700 plus in the new Butler High School gym.

Fifth Avenue, District 8 champion, advances to battle Meadville Saturday night in New Wilmington. That victor tangles with the Uniontown-Altoona winner in the western final in the Pitt Field House next Wednesday night.

Meanwhile, the Knights stored away their togs after compiling their most brilliant season in the school's four-year history — a 24-2 overall record, including 21 straight, the Butler County League title; the Slippery Rock Tourney crown, and the District 9 championship.

The Pittsburgh team displayed a brand of ball which befuddled the Saxonburg team. They have the shooters, the height, the speed and uncanny passing ability.

Fleming Reynolds led the onslaught with a 31-point production. Not far behind was the jumbo-sized 6 feet, 7, 250-pound Aldon Lawson who bulled his way under the basket for 26 markers.

The Archers shot a magnificent 58 per cent from field, making 38 of 65 shots. The Knights, however, couldn't do anything right. They threw the ball away continuously and missed many opportune shots from close in.

A preview of things to come occurred seconds after the opening tipoff. Reynolds grabbed Lawson's tip and raced in for a basket and a succeeding foul conversion. The Archers never did relinquish the lead.

Knoch did not use its familiar all-court press very often during last night's game, maybe because of Fifth Avenue's speed.

After the Archers had assumed a 11-5 command midway in the opening canto the Knights rallied to close the gap to 13-12. But the winners, using the fast-break to advantage, pulled away. The score at halftime was, 38-24.

Coach Dale Mahan's Knights came fighting back at the start of the third quarter, bagging three straight fielders on as many attempts. However, the Archers were even more effective.

They moved so rapidly to a 57-33 command that Mahan benched his starting unit with 1:14 left in the quarter. The period ended 64-33.

The top five re-entered the game at the outset of the fourth period. The rest was beneficial as the Knights scored eight points while holding the Archers to two. The task of overhauling Fifth Avenue was almost insurmountable in the time remaining.

The Knights' second string went back in with 2:27 and the score 78-50 and finished out the contest. Coach George Cupples of the Archers emptied his bench with 1:14 left.

Sam Fleming of the winners fouled out the game with 2:07 remaining in the third quarter. The Knights lost 6-5 Bob Rothen with 5:09 remaining in the game. Rothen had his hands full trying to contain Lawson. As a result, his point production suffered. He tallied only four.

Doug Clark was Knoch's leading threat. The 6-5 junior dumped in 17 points. Rich Weleski was next with 12.

SIDELIGHTS — Fifth Avenue's Fleming Reynolds and Andy Walton are two of the slickest ball handlers and dribblers you'll find anywhere in scholastic basketball . . . Lawson's hulking frame dominated. He picked off most of the rebounds as Rothen and Clark were unable to move the giant . . . Fifth Avenue has an overall mark of 19-2 . . .

DOESN'T LOOK TOO GOOD—Ben Day, left, and Bob Rothen of Knoch High School wear dismal frowns as they watch while their teammates were losing to Fifth Avenue of Pittsburgh last night in the Butler High School gym. Rothen, a starter, had just fouled out of the game late in the fourth quarter. The Knights were eliminated from the PIAA, Class A playoffs, 85-51.

Fifth Avenue	G	F	P
Reyn'ds	14	3	31
S Flem'g	5	0	10
Lawson	11	1	26
LaMar	2	1	5
Walton	1	1	9
Outlaw	1	0	2
Griffin	1	0	2
Ellis	0	0	0
Randall	0	0	0
R Flem'g	0	0	0
Jackson	0	0	0
Simpson	0	0	0
	38	9	85

Knoch	G	F	P
Clark	5	7	17
Sepich	1	0	8
Rothen	1	2	4
Youngkins	1	1	9
Weleski	1	1	12
Kimmel	0	0	0
Reiger	0	1	1
Day	0	0	0
Baier	0	0	0
Paul	0	0	0
	18	15	51

Score by quarters:	1	2	3	4	
Fifth Avenue	21	17	26	21	85
Knoch	11	10	9	18	51

Officials: Horner, Grimm

Rothen made A-K class A all-stars 1st team

Weleski made A-K class A all-stars honorable mention

Younkins made A-K class A all-stars honorable mention

Sepish made A-K class A all-stars honorable mention

Younkins made AP all-state honorable mention

Rothen, Weleski, Younkins made UPI all-state honorable mention

UNEXPECTED BLOW—John Sepich (34) of Knoch High was slammed in the face by the basketball last night as he jumped up for a rebound during his team's PIAA, Class A playoff game with Fifth Avenue of Pittsburgh in the Butler High gym. Also in the battle for the loose ball are Sepich's teammate, Bob Rothen (40) and Fifth Avenue's 6-feet Aldon Lawson (35) and Sam Fleming. The Knights were eliminated 85-51.

DOWN THE MIDDLE

Knoch High guard Rich Weleski (12) drives down the middle in an attempt to score against Fifth Avenue last night in their Class A playoff game at Butler High. Weleski appears to have his eyes closed as he wheels into the pivot. Sam Fleming (5) has his arms stretched in defense while also close to the play are Knoch's Bob Rolhen (40) and Ed LaMar (20), Fifth Avenue. The Archers won, 85-51.

FIFTH AVENUE OVERWHELMS KNOCH HIGH, 85-51

CAT AND MOUSE

Jerry Younkins (32) of Knoch High and Sam Fleming (5), Fifth Avenue, seem to be playing cat and mouse here as the Knights' cager attempts to get past the defending Archer. This was part of the action in last night's Class A playoff game at Butler High between Knoch and Fifth Avenue, the latter winning, 85-51.

Archers Show Class To Eliminate Knights In Class 'A' Playoffs

Record Crowd of 2,000 Watches Cage Classic at Butler Hi Gym

By MIKE SURKALO
Eagle Sports Editor

Shooting at a fabulous .576 pace, the Fifth Avenue High Archers advanced in PIAA Class A basketball play last night before a record crowd of 2,000 fans at Butler High by routing the Knoch Knights, 85-51.

Fifth Avenue, now the champion of two districts, moves into western Pennsylvania semi-final competition Saturday night when it opposes Meadville at Westminster College, New Wilmington. Meadville will represent District 10.

With Fleming Reynolds and Aldon Lawson leading the way, the Archers hit for 38 of their 66 shots to produce the romp.

Reynolds, heralded as the player to watch, fired 11 strikes in his 21 attempts to solve Knoch's defense for a sizzling .667 percentage. He also made three of his four foul attempts to close with a game-leading 31 points. The 6-1 senior veteran not only had the range from the outside, but used his great speed and jumping ability to drive consistently through the Knights.

And Lawson, who was a sub until coach George Cupples lost two of his regulars at mid-year because of graduation, used all of his height, 6-7, to give the Archers a powerful one-two punch. Taking 19 shots, Lawson pitched in 11 for a sensational .579 figure and added four free throws to complete his four with 26 markers. The "tall one" also headed the field with 12 rebounds, one more than Doug Clark nabbed in leading Knoch.

18-67 Shot Mark

Knoch, unable to sustain an attack, found the going rough in all four periods. The Knights actually had one more shot than Fifth Avenue, 67, but their marksmanship deserted them last night as they canned only 18. Turning in a worthy performance for coach Dale Mahan's club was Doug Clark, a 6-5 junior, who netted 17 tallies. He paced with five hoops and converted seven of ten charity bids. Clark was also Knoch's best bet under the boards.

Fifth Avenue never [illegible] the [illegible] although [illegible] swift at the outset. The Archers built a careful 4-point [illegible] intermission, 38-24, but [illegible] still room for a Knoch [illegible] since Fifth Avenue had [illegible] of its regulars burdened with [illegible] personals, Lawson and center Sam Fleming.

The Knights started [illegible] the [illegible] they meant to [illegible]. And they did, 6-4, to send the Archers back to the [illegible] gone and the [illegible] even dozen [illegible], 42-[illegible].

22-3 Uprising

When coach Cupples returned his boys to the field of battle, they were devastating as they waltzed over the remaining third-period distance, 22-3. Reynolds and Lawson were the wreckers as they hit for five and four baskets respectively to account for nine of the 12 field goals Fifth Avenue produced in this frame.

[illegible] Lawson [illegible] Knoch, 6[illegible]

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KNOCH—51

Player	Pos.	Goals	Fouls	Tlt.
Clark	F	5	7-10	17
Sepich	F	4	0- 0	8
Rothen	C	1	[illegible]- 2	4
Younkins	G	4	1- 2	9
Weleski	G	4	4- 6	12
Paul	G	0	0- 1	0
Rieger	F	0	1- 4	1
Kimmel	F	0	0- 2	0
Day	F	0	0- 1	0
Totals		18	15-28	51

Substitutions: Bauer, Lynch, Graff.

FIFTH AVENUE—85

Player	Pos.	Goals	Foul	Tlt.
Reynolds	F	11	[illegible]	[illegible]
Lawson	F	11	4- 9	26
Fleming	C	5	0- 1	10
LaMar	G	[illegible]	1- 4	5
Walton	G	4	1- [illegible]	9
Randall	C	0	0- 1	0
Onslow	F	1	0- 0	2
Griffin	F	1	0- 0	2
Totals		8	9-[illegible]	85

Score by quarters:

Knoch	4	10	9	28—51
Fifth	21	[illegible]	[illegible]	51—85

Referee: Ray Gamm.
Umpire: Clyde Horne.

Archers

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It was all over but the shouting although the Knights managed to shorten the deficit to 24 points mid-way in the final period, 72-48. Another outbreak by the Archers increased it back to 85-50.

Reynolds set the stage for what was to come when he opened the tilt with a field goal and foul conversion for a 3-0 lead. Rich Weleski, who paired up with Clark to give Knoch its best last night, countered with a set from beyond the key. After Andy Walton made it 5-2 for the Archers, the Knights came back again quickly with a short set by Jerry Younkins. Reynolds found the range again with Younkins converting a foul for Knoch. It was a 7-5 Fifth Avenue clash when Knoch went to the side with 3.16 elapsed. The game was shaping up to a see-saw struggle and when play resumed, the Knights switched to a press. Fifth Avenue responded with a surge that carried the Archers to a 13-6 bulge.

Knoch's Best

Knoch came back with its best counter attack of the night. The Knights clicked off six straight tallies behind Clark and Weleski to fall short of a deadlock, 13-12. But this was as close as the Butler County entry was destined to come.

Fifth Avenue rallied for a 21-14 lead at the first official rest stop.

John Sepich introduced the second round with a fielder then the Archers hit for three fast buckets by Reynolds, Fleming and Lawson to post their first double-figure edge of the night, 27-16. Knoch called time with 1:40 gone.

The Archers kept expanding and produced leads of 33-18 and 37-20, the latter, largest in the first half. It was 38-24 at intermission and 42-30 early in the third period when Fifth Avenue staged its breakthrough.

Reynolds' talent to drive and hit from the outside proved too much for the Knights. And Lawson's meancing 6-7 figure under the boards proved a major obstacle.

Top Two

Clark, who paced Knoch with 17 points, collected seven of them in the final period. Weleski was the Knights' steady performer with a hoop in each round and finished with an even dozen tallies. He made his first two foul conversions to stretch his tourney string to 12 shots. Of six attempts last night, Weleski missed only two, giving him 14-16 over the two-game distance.

Fifth Avenue's .576 shooting percentage drew a comment from coah Mahan after the game, "If they keep hitting like that, no one will beat them." He shook his head when the 38 for 66 figure was posted after the contest.

END OF THE LINE FOR KNOCH

Knoch High School's spirited varsity cheerleaders appeared somewhat shell-shocked, along with over a thousand of their supporters, at this stage of the Knights' basketball game with Fifth Avenue last night at Butler High School. The powerful Pittsburgh team stunned the local crowd with its 85-51 tournament victory over Knoch. Varsity cheerleaders, left to right, are Sandra Martin, Paula Jones, Michele Fennell, Sylvia Daasvand, Kathy Lassinger, Kathy Ward, Marlene Madey and Jeannette Brown. Knoch had won 21 consecutive games up to last night. Story and other picture on Sports Pages.)

Knoch Faces Fifth Avenue

Interdistrict Game Set Tonight for Butler Gym

Knoch High School's basketball team tonight can move into the PIAA Class A quarterfinal bracket.

But first it must defeat a rugged Fifth Avenue High contingent which gained the District 8 title by winning the Pittsburgh City League championship. The game is scheduled at 8 o'clock in the Butler High gym.

Coach Dale Mahan's Knoch Knights copped the District 9 crown Saturday by routing Punxsutawney. This has been the greatest achievement of a Knoch floor team in the school's four - year history.

Last season, Knoch bowed to Dubois in the District 9 title match.

A Knoch victory tonight would send it into the quarterfinal bracket against Meadville, champion of District 10. Meadville defeated Erie Tech.

Although the Fifth Avenue Archers provide a tall and rugged crew, Mahan's squad shows a well - balanced attack in the height and scoring departments.

Six of the Knights have scored at least 200 points this season. Knoch's starting array features Bob Rothen (6-5), Doug Clark (6-5), John Sepich (6-3), Jerry Younkins (5-11) and Rich Weleski (5-7). All are seniors with the exception of Clark who is a junior.

Knoch Reserves

In bench strength, the Knights feature a lad at 6-4 and two at 6-3. They are Paul Kimmell, Derek Lynch and Ken Reiger.

Knoch carries a 21-game victory skein as it enters tonight's contest. The Knights have produced an overall chart of 24-1. Mahan's cagers won their first three games then bowed at West Deer 64-56 on Dec. 12.

Since then the Knights' armor hasn't been dented.

Mahan's passers copped the Butler County League championship by defeating each of their seven opponents twice. Knoch is the lone Class A team in the league, which also is composed of 'B' and 'C' schools.

The Knights scoring prowess is shown in the fact that they reached the 90-point mark three times this season. Knoch scored in the 80s and in the 70s seven times.

Knoch's lowest scoring game was against West Deer when it tallied a losing total of 56.

The Archers of coach George Cupples bring an 18-2 chart into tonight's action. They tripped Allegheny to win the City League championship.

Archers Starters

Fifth Avenue has several tall men to combat the Knoch Knights. They are Aldon Lawson (6-7), Sam Fleming (6-3), Fleming Reynolds (6-2), Ray Outlaw (6-0) and Andy Walton (5-8).

Lone setbacks of the Archers were against Farrell and Steubenville. They lost to Farrell 57-41.

KNOCH, FIFTH AVENUE BATTLE HERE TONIGHT

Knights and Archers Risk District Titles In Class 'A' Playoff

Winner Will Meet Meadville, District 10 Representative

It'll be a battle of champions tonight when Knoch High and Fifth Avenue match their district crowns in a Class A basketball playoff at the Butler High gym.

Knoch, Butler County League's best, will carry District 9 colors into the skirmish with the Archers representing the Pittsburgh City League or District 8.

The survivor is slated to take on the District 10 winner, Meadville, which drew a bye, with the site being selected after tonight's game. Eventually the 8-9-10 victor will go to the Pitt Field House against the 5-6-7 finalist.

Action time tonight—8.

Title-bearing Knoch and Fifth Avenue are champs in more than one sense of the word. The Knights will carry a handsome 21-game victory string into the fray with the Archers boasting a skein of 15. In a total of 45 games, the two basketball giants have been beaten only three times.

The lone barrier to a perfect 25-0 record for Knoch is a 64-56 upset at the hands of West Deer during the fourth outing of the 1961-62 campaign. Fifth Avenue's two reverses were administered by Farrell, 57-41, and Steubenville, 72-58. They came back-to-back in the Archers' fourth and fifth tests.

Both clubs have height, experience and a favorable mixture of offensive and defensive talents.

Both Have Size

In the size department, coach Dale Mahan's club has yet to yield an advantage. The Knights have six boys who stand 6-0 or better with Bob Rothen and Doug Clark, both regulars, standing 6-5. Reserves Paul Kimmel and Ken Reiger stretch to 6-3 with starter John Sepich, 6-2. Ben Day completes the towering six at 6-0.

Fifth Avenue counters with the biggest player Knoch has faced all season, 6-7 Aldon Lawson. The Archers also have height in Sam Fleming, 6-3; Fleming Reynolds, 6-1; and Ray Outlaw, 6-0. Coach George Cupples' squad could have been even more impressive but it lost 6-4 Chuck Franklin and Ty Kenley, 6-0, at mid-year because of graduation. Both were regulars, their spots going to Lawson and Outlaw.

Knoch has holdovers in Jerry Younkins, Rich Weleski, Rothen, Kimmel, Day, Clark and Hank Paul. Reynolds, Fleming, Lawson and Andy Walton, a 5-8 senior co-captain, won monograms for the Archers. They would have had six, counting Franklin and Kenley.

Offensively, the two clubs have been dynamic. Knoch has scored 1,880 points in 25 games for a fabulous 75.3 pace. Fifth Avenue's 20-game count is 1,419 for a 71.0 clip.

Defensively, the difference is also slight enough to create no favorite. The Knights have been solved for 1,278 tallies and a 51.0 ratio, the Archers for 961 and a 48.0 tempo.

If these figures can be taken at face value, the contest tonight rates as a toss-up.

Playoff Wins

Both clubs were outstanding in their lone playoff tests to date. Saturday night at Kittanning, the Knights made short work of Punxsutawney in their District 9 final, 84-57, while earlier in the week Fifth Avenue eliminated Schenley without any trouble, 58-27.

Knoch boasted great balance in its one-sided decision over the Woodchucks. The Knights dominated under the boards with 52 rebounds to 24 for Punxsy. All five of the Knoch starters hit in double figures with Rothen and Weleski

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Tickets to Be Sold at Gate

Knoch High officials reported that about 300 tickets would be sold at the gate tonight for the Class A playoff game with Fifth Avenue.

The doors will be open for anyone already having ducats, but the ticket office will remain closed until all student and player buses have arrived from both schools.

Knights and

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tops at 18. The latter was outstanding at the charity line where he dropped 10 straight shots to spark a 23-36 team effort good for a .778 pace. Sepich, 18 rebounds, and Rother, 14, were pacemakers with Clark and [illegible] 6-5 giving the Knights a third [illegible] ster under the hoop.

Tonight's appearance at the Butler High gym will be Fifth Avenue's second this season. The Archers helped the Tornado open its 1961-62 home grand and rallied for a 56-54 decision after trailing by eight points early in the closing period.

Knoch Knights Rout Richland Quintet, 81-49

The Knoch High Knights rolled over Richland after overcoming a first-quarter deficit last night, 81-49, to past their third straight win.

With 10 players hitting the scoring column, the Knights connected for 33 field goals and 11 of 22 foul shots to cop the victory.

Led by forward John Sepich with 19 markers, the Knights overcame a 12-8 first quarter Richland lead, to wind up on the topside of a 35-23 halftime score.

The winners scored 23 points in both the third and fourth frames.

Forward Gloyer led the losing cause with 26 points, as he connected on 12 field goals and two of seven foul shots.

Jerry Younkins added 13 points for the Knights.

The losers made 20 baskets from the floor and nine foul shots.

The Richland Jayvee five scored a 45-39 victory over the junior Knight squad.

KNOCH—81

Player	Pos.	Goals	Fouls	Pts.
Paul Kimmel	F	6	3- 5	15
John Sepich	F	8	3- 4	19
Rother	C	2	5- 6	9
Jerry Younkins	G	6	1- 2	13
Weleski	G	0	2- 3	2
Clark	F	1	0- 0	2
Day	F	3	0- 0	6
Reiger	C	2	0- 0	4
Bauer	G	4	0- 0	8
Paul	G	1	1- 2	3
Totals		33	15-22	81

Substitutions: Lynch, Graff.

RICHLAND—49

Player	Pos.	Goals	Fouls	Pts.
Gloyer	F	12	2- 7	26
Mills	F	2	1- 5	5
Flynn	C	2	2- 5	6
Garer	G	2	1- 1	5
Nepereny	G	1	0- 0	2
Smathers	F	0	1- 2	1
Bartell	G	0	2- 2	2
McCabe	G	1	0- 2	2
Hanlon	G	0	0- 1	0
Totals		20	9-26	49

Score by Quarters:

Knoch	8	27	23	23—81
Richland	12	16	11	12—49

Knoch Routs Pine-Rich By 81-51

Knoch High School retained its undefeated status last night by thumping a hapless Pine-Richland team 81-51 on the home floor in an exhibition tilt.

The Knights spotted the visitors a four-point first-quarter lead then roared back to take a seven-point lead at intermission. Coach Dale Mahan's veteran team won going away as it outscored the Rams 46-23 in the second half.

High scorers for the Knights, who are considered a threat for the Butler County League crown, were John Sepich 19, Paul Kimmel 15, and Jerry Younkins 13. Sepich and Kimmel led the rebounders with 12 and 11 respectively.

However, scoring honors for the evening went to the Ram's Dick Gloyer who tallied 28 points through the hoops.

Pine-Richland's jayvees beat the young Knights 45-39 in the preliminary.

Knoch motors to West Deer Tuesday night, while Ossie Santacroce's winless Pine-Richland quintet heads for Etna in exhibition warfare.

Knoch	G	F	P	Pine-Richland	G	F	P
Kimmel	6	3	15	Gloyer	13	2	28
Sepich	8	3	19	Mills	2	1	5
Rothen	2	5	9	Smath'rs	0	1	1
Younkins	6	1	13	Flynn	2	2	6
Weleski	0	2	2	Bartell	0	2	2
Clark	1	0	2	Neprcny	1	0	2
Day	3	0	6	Garver	2	1	5
Reiger	2	0	4	McCabe	1	0	2
Bauer	4	0	8				
Paul	1	1	3				
	33	15	81		21	9	51

Score by quarters:	1	2	3	4
Knoch	8	27	23	23—81
Pine-Richland	12	16	11	12—51

Knoch Jr. High

Knoch Jr. Hi Opens Action

The Knoch Junior High School basketball squad was slated to open a 13-game schedule at 4 p.m. today when the Knight fledglings played host to Springdale at the Saxonburg court

The Knights will travel to Slippery Rock Friday for their first road test at 4 p.m.

The only evening tilt will be Jan. 4, when they meet Mars at 7 p.m. The other games scheduled by the junior high squad include:

De. 21, at Springdale; Jan. 2, at Ford City. Jan. 4, at Mars; Jan. 9, Freeport; Jan. 12, at Moniteau; Jan. 16, at Evans City; Jan. 19, West Deer

Jan. 23, at Freeport; Jan. 26, Moniteau; Feb. 2, Evans City, and Feb. 9, Mars.

Knoch Juniors Edge Springdale

Knoch Junior High School opened its season on the right foot by handing Springdale its first loss 37-30 yesterday on the former's hardwood.

Dick Lang tallied 15 and Ron Sass 10 to pace Knoch. Chuck DeVenzio netted 10 and Joe Slesinski eight for the losers.

Friday Springdale motors to West Deer and Knoch travels to Slippery Rock.

(2) Knoch over [illegible] 37-30

(3) Springdale over Knoch 47-25

(4) Ford City over Knoch 48-[illegible]

(5) Knoch over Freeport 38-23

(6) Knoch over Moniteau 46-37

(7) Knoch over Evans City 82-15

Knoch Juniors Rip Evans City

Knoch Junior High School smothered Evans City yesterday 82-15 on the losers' court.

Dick Lang was the big gun for Knoch with 20 points.

Knoch will play host to West Deer Friday.

(8) Knoch over West Deer 38-12

Knoch Juniors Beat West Deer

Knoch Junior High School copped an exhibition basketball win yesterday over West Deer 38-12 on the former's floor.

High scorer for Knoch was Ron Sasse with 14 points. Dave Kashlak canned 8 for the losers.

Knoch travels to Freeport Tuesday for another exhibition contest.

(9) Knoch over Freeport 53-43

(10) (16) Knoch over Moniteau 65-29

Knoch Victor In Junior Tilt

Knoch Junior High School crushed Moniteau Junior High School yesterday in an exhibition basketball game, 65-29.

High scorer for Knoch was Dick Lang with 24 markers. Ron Sasse came in second for the scoring honors with 17.

Knoch will play host to Evans City next Friday in another exhibition test.

(11) (10) Knoch over Evans City 72-32

(13) Knoch over Mars 44-31

(12) Knoch over Mars 53-43

Knoch Juniors Throttle Mars

Knoch Junior High School downed Mars yesterday afternoon 53-41 in an exhibition basketball game on the former's floor.

Ed Weleski copped scoring honors for Knoch with 17. Phil Marion added 15.

Rich Fitzgerald led Mars with 15.

Knoch over Springdale

Knoch Rebounds With 69-~~56~~ 65 Win

Knights Top Springdale in Home Battle

Bouncing back from their first defeat of the season last Tuesday, the Knoch High Knights outdistanced Springdale last night, 69-56.

Outgunned in the field goal department 28-26, the Knights connected on 17 of 33 from the foul line to cop the victory. Springdale made nine of 12 free throws.

The Knights now hold a 4-1 record, their lone loss coming at the hands of West Deer, 64-56.

Led by junior forward Doug Clark, who turned in a 20-point performance, the winners jumped to 16-11 first-quarter lead, adding 22 points in the second frame and 18 more in the third stanza, only 13 in the last.

The final quarter saw Springdale Post a 16-13 edge but the 38-31 Knoch halftime score kept the losers at bay.

Galcik and Vigrass led the losers in the scoring column, with 11 points apiece.

In Jayvee action the Springdale five trounced Knoch, 38-15.

KNOCH—69

Player	Pos.	Goals	Fouls	Ttl.
Kimmel	F	4	1- 6	9
Clark	F	7	6- 8	20
Rothen	C	3	0- 1	6
Younkin	G	4	6-10	14
Bayer	G	1	0- 1	2
Totals		26	17-33	69

SPRINGDALE—65

Player	Pos.	Goals	Fouls	Ttl.
Galick	G	4	3- 4	11
Reilly	G	2	4- 4	8
G. Petruny	F	4	0- 0	8
Rakowski	C	2	0- 1	4
J. Petruny	F	3	0- 0	6
Hussar	G	4	0- 0	8
Susa	F	4	1- 2	9
VlGrass	C	5	1- 1	11
Totals		28	9-12	65

Score by quarters

Knoch	16	22	18	13—69
Springdale	11	21	17	16—65

Referee: Moses.
Umpire: Vargo.

By 69-65 Count

Knoch Racks Springdale

Knoch High School pulled a mild upset last evening by tripping Springdale 69-65 on the Knoch Knights' floor in exhibition basketball action.

The home forces held a 38-33 advantage at halftime due to the scoring of Doug Clark, Jerry Younkins and Rich Weleski, who tallied 13, 11 and 9 respectively.

Knoch added another point to its lead by the end of the third period. Springdale made a gallant effort to catch the Knights in the last chapter, but it was a case of too little too late.

Springdale outscored Knoch from the field 28-26, but the Knights held a commanding 17-9 edge over the Dynamos from the free throw line. The Knights scored more points than the Dynamos had chances at the free throw line. Springdale attempted 12.

Clark scored 20, Younkins 18, and Weleski 14 to lead the home quintet. Tall Tim Vigrass and John Galcik bagged 11 points apiece for the visitors.

Springdale's jayvee team clobbered Knoch 38-15 in the lid-lifter

Knoch travels to Hampton Friday night while Springdale entertains Har-Brack in exhibition warfare.

Knoch	G	F	P	Springdale	G	F	P
Kimmel	4	1	9	Galcik	4	3	11
Clark	7	6	20	G.Petruny	4	0	8
Rothen	3	0	6	Rakowski	2	0	4
Younkins	7	4	18	Reily	2	4	8
Weleski	4	6	14	J.Petruny	3	0	6
Bauer	1	0	2	Husar	4	0	8
				Susa	4	1	9
				Vigrass	5	1	11
Totals	26	17	69	Totals	28	9	65

Score by quarters:	1	2	3	4	
Knoch	16	22	18	13	69
Springdale	11	21	17	16	65

Officials: Moses, Vargo.

By 64-56

West Deer Hands Knoch First Loss

One of the area's teams was knocked from the unbeaten ranks last night when West Deer High School handed the Knoch Knights a 64-56 setback on the former's hardwood.

A fourth-quarter rally enabled the Braves of coach Jim Marsili to pull the upset. Knoch led by three points at the close of the third quarter, but West Deer came on to net 17 markers in the final period while holding the Knights to six.

Coach Dale Mahan's Knoch quintet had defeated Union Joint, Leechburg and Pine - Richland. West Deer now sports a 2-2 log.

The Knights' high-scoring machine which featured a 71.4 average in the first three games was stymied by the Braves' defense.

Dave Phillips tallied 18 and Dick Dixon 17 to guide Marsili's cagers. Doug Clark's 13 and John Sepich's 12 paced Knoch.

Leading in the rebound department were West Deer's Doug Scopel and Knoch's Paul Kimmel and Bob Rothen.

West Deer entertains Freeport Friday night in an exhibition. Knoch has an open date. The Knights play host to Springdale Tuesday.

West Deer	G	F	P	Knoch	G	F	P
Phillips	8	2	18	Kimmel	3	0	6
Scopel	2	0	4	Clark	6	1	13
Nagy	4	0	8	Sepich	6	0	12
Uchich	1	3	5	Rothen	1	0	2
Dixon	7	3	17	Younkins	3	2	8
Paszek	5	2	12	Bauer	2	0	4
				Weleski	3	1	7
				Paul	2	0	4
	27	10	64		26	4	56

Score by quarters:	1	2	3	4	
West Deer	16	13	18	17	64
Knoch	18	14	18	6	56

Officials: Allen, McCarthy.

West Deer Hi Hands Knoch First Reverse

The Knoch High Knights were on their way to a fourth straight victory last night at West Deer when they faltered in the closing period and had to absorb their first loss of the 1961-62 campaign, 64-56.

They were in front by a narrow 50-47 margin going into the stretch round when the slump hit. Coach Dale Mahan had three of his starters burdened with four personals and it made a difference as West Deer breezed along to a 17-6 rally. Unable to present their usual defense, the Knights fell behind and found it tough to close the gap.

Knoch gained its bulge over the home club in an 18-15 first quarter then played the enemy even over the next two rounds, 14-14 and 18-18.

Hitting in the double figures for the Knights were center Doug Clark, 13; forward John Sepich, 12, and guard Jerry Younkins, 10.

Forming a scoring punch for West Deer were Dave Phillips, 18 points, and Bob Dixon, 17. Bob Paszek chipped in with an even dozen.

The Knights yielded an edge of 27-26 in field goals and also suffered at the foul line. They made only four of 15 free throws while West Deer had almost twice the number of attempts, 27, and converted ten.

West Deer swept the card with a 49-19 rout in the Jayvee prelim. However, the Knoch Junior High quintet prevented it from being a complete sweep for the opposition by downing Springdale, 37-30.

The score:

KNOCH—56

Player	Pos.	Goals	Fouls	Ttl.
Kimmel	F	3	0- 3	6
Sepich	F	6	0- 1	12
Clark	C	6	1- 6	13
Younkins	G	4	2- 2	10
Weleski	G	3	1- 3	7
Fowler	G	2	0- 0	4
Paul	G	2	0- 0	4
Totals		26	4-15	56

WEST DEER—64

Player	Pos.	Goals	Fouls	Ttl
Phillips	F	8	2- 8	18
Scoopie	F	2	0- 1	4
Dixon	C	7	3- 6	17
Uchic	G	1	3- 5	
Paszek	G	5	2- 6	1
Nagy	F	4	0- 1	
Totals		27	10-27	6

Score by quarters:				
Knoch	18	14	18	6—56
West Deer	15	14	18	17—64

Referee: Allen.
Umpire: McCarty.

Knoch over Leechburg 64-54

Knoch Knights 64-54 Victors Over Leechburg

Four Knoch High players hit the double scoring column last night as the Butler County Class A champs won 64-54 to make it two straight in the young cage season.

Visiting Leechburg took a first period lead, but couldn't handle the hot Knights at the foul line.

Rich Waleski, Knoch guard, dropped 9 of 10 foul attempts and added three goals for 15 points to lead the victors, but Bob Rothen and Jerry Younkins were just behind with 14 each. Ken Reiger came up with 12 markers and tied Younkins as the top field goal sinker at six.

Rothen, a 6-5 pivot, grabbed off 24 rebounds during the battle. His board work began to pay in the second quarter when Knoch overcame a 15-12 opening period deficit. The Knights, who dropped 18 of 24 foul shots during the game, led 31-28 by halftime and 48 to 44 at the three-way mark.

Denny Maritto, Leechburg, took scoring honors for the evening with a 22-point output.

Knoch, coached by Dale Mahan, opened last week with a 70-57 verdict over Union Joint. The Knights face Richland in an away game Friday.

Jayvees from the Saxonburg area school came up with a 45-37 victory.

LEECHBURG—54

Player	Pos.	Goal	Fouls	Tl.
Linzenfelter	F	4	3- 4	11
Solionl.he	F	1	0- 0	2
Sulava	C	4	4- 5	12
Maritto	G	9	4- 5	22
Holl	G	0	1- 2	1
Savero	F	1	0- 0	2
Cribbs	G	2	0- 0	4
Totals		21	12-16	54

KNOCH—64

Player	Pos.	Goals	Fouls	Tl.
Kimmel	F	1	1- 2	3
Sepich	F	3	0- 0	6
Rothen	C	4	6- 8	14
Younkins	G	6	2- 3	14
Waleski	G	3	9-10	15
Reiger	C	6	0- 1	12
Totals		23	18-24	64

Score by quarters:

Leechburg	15	13	16	10—54
Knoch	12	19	17	16—64

Referee Snyder.
Umpire Moses

Knoch High Collects 64-54 Floor Victory

Knoch High School's basketball squad appears to be on its way to a successful campaign in 1961-'62. Last night on its home floor the Knights subdued Leechburg 64-54 for their second win in as many exhibition starts.

Coach Dale Mahan's Knoch cagers had to come from behind in the first half, but once they did it was all over for the Leechburg Blue Devils.

Leechburg assumed a 15-12 edge in the first quarter only to find Knoch rally and finally overcome the bulge with 45 seconds remaining in the first half.

Rich Weleski and Ken Reiger scored seven and six points respectively to pace Knoch in the second quarter. The Knights held a three-point lead at intermission then upped it to four at the close of third quarter before pulling away in the fourth.

Weleski's 15 tallies led Knoch. Teammates Bob Rothen and Jerry Younkins each netted 14. Rothen took care of the rebounding duties by snaring 24. John Sepich grabbed 11.

The high-scoring efforts of Leechburg's Denny Maritto went for naught. The diminutive cager tallied nine field goals and four free throws for a 22-point total.

In the preliminary, Knoch's junior varsity tripped Leechburg's jayvees 45-37.

Leechburg travels to Ken High and Knoch motors to Pine-Richland in Friday's exhibition activity.

Knoch	G	F	P	Leechburg	G	F	P
Kimmel	1	1	3	Ling'lter	4	3	11
Sepich	3	0	6	Favero	1	0	2
Rothen	4	6	14	Solon'e	1	0	2
Younkins	6	2	14	Cribbs	2	0	4
Weleski	3	9	15	Sulava	4	4	12
Reiger	6	0	12	Hill	0	1	1
				Marilto	9	4	22
Totals	23	18	64	Totals	21	12	54

Score by quarters:

	1	2	3	4
Knoch	12	19	17	16—64
Leechburg	15	13	16	10—54

Officials: Moses, Snyder.

Knoch Cagers Open With 70-57 Victory

Knoch over Union 70-57

Union Joint Goes Down To Defeat

Knoch High School made a successful inauguration of the area's basketball season by routing Union Joint 70-57 on the Saxonburg school's court in exhibition play.

Paul Kimmel helped the Knoch Knights break a 28-28 halftime deadlock and garner a 48-39 third period advantage. Kimmel registered eight points in the third chapter.

He wound up the night as the game's top point maker with a total of 24. Paul netted 11 field goals and two free throws.

Kimmel also paced Knoch in the rebounding department. He grabbed 15 and teammate John Sepich snared 11.

Union of Clarion County opened fast by taking a 17-13 edge. However, the Knights rallied to knot the count prior to intermission. Union is rated a top contender in the Clarion County League.

The Knights padded their margin by scoring 22 markers in the final period while the losers bagged 18.

Knoch Tops From Field

Rich Weleski gained runner-up scoring honors for Knoch as he tallied 13 via five fielders and three charity tosses.

George Shafer was the leading scorer for Union with 17. Ed Karpinski aided the losers' cause by netting 16.

Knoch outpointed Union from the field 26-18, but the latter tallied 21 of 29 free throws. The Knights bagged 18 free tosses in 28 attempts.

The Little Knights were trounced 30-7 in the preliminary contest by Union's junior varsity.

Knoch has an open date Friday night, but entertains Leechburg Tuesday night.

Knoch—70

	G	F	P
Kimmel	11	2	24
Sepich	3	3	9
Rothen	0	2	2
Younk's	2	4	8
Weleski	5	3	13
Clark	1	2	4
Reiger	1	0	2
Bauer	2	0	4
Lynch	1	0	2
Graff	0	2	2
Totals	26	18	70

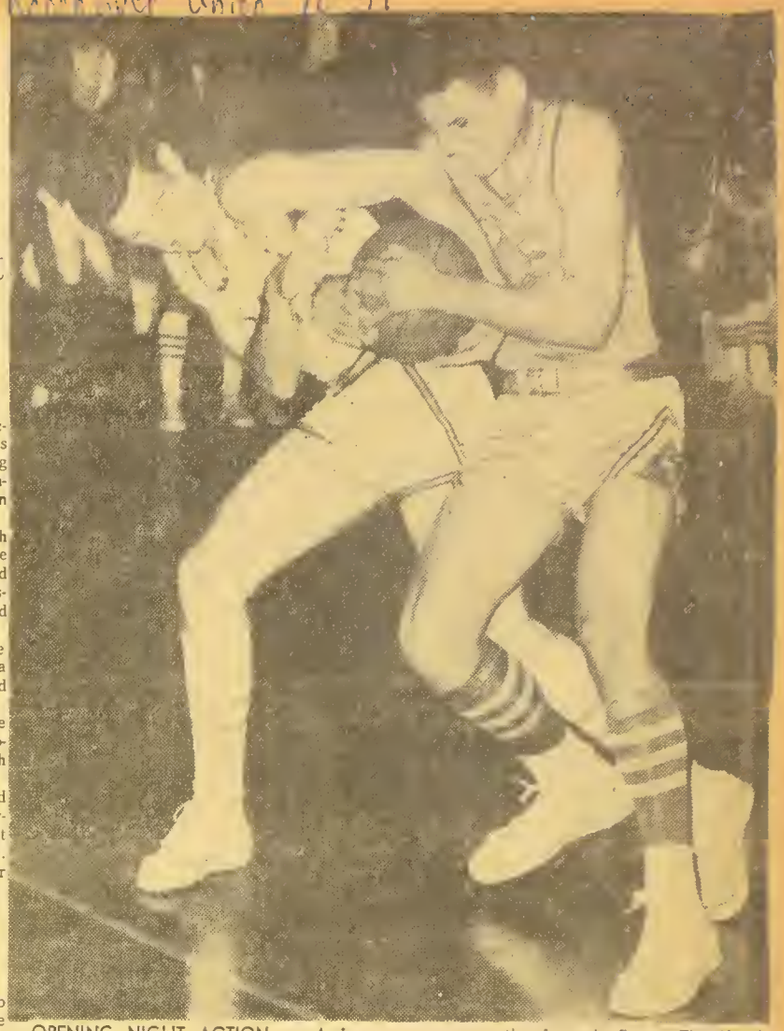
Union—57

	G	F	P
Sherman	2	5	9
Greenw't	1	4	6
Shafer	3	7	17
Karp'ski	7	2	16
Simpson	3	2	8
Morris	0	1	1
Totals	18	21	57

Score by quarters

Knoch	13	15	20	22—70
Union	17	11	11	18—57

Officials: Abramovic, Bernabei.



OPENING NIGHT ACTION — A jump ball was called when John Sepich (left) of Knoch High School and Tom Sherman (23) of Union Joint battled for possession of the basketball in the first quarter of last night's game on the former's floor. The Knoch Knights of coach Dale Mahan successfully opened the area's cage season by copping a 70-57 exhibition decision.

Veteran Knoch Team Hosts Union Tonight

Golden Knights Open Season With Tall, Experienced Club

Knoch High basketball followers may have plenty to cheer about this season, that is, if height and experience mean anything.

The Golden Knights of coach Dale Mahan, with seven veterans back and three of them on the tall side, can be tabbed as the team to watch throughout the 1961-62 campaign.

They'll be put to an immediate test tonight when they entertain Union Joint, one of the strong clubs in the Clarion County circuit.

Mahan will field plenty of experienced size in center Bob Rothen and forward Doug Clark, both 6-5. The latter still has another season of play remaining while Rothen will be starting his senior year tonight.

Backing them is 6-3 Paul Kimmel, a senior forward.

Also on the rangy side is 6-0 Ben Day, a veteran and senior forward, while Jerry Younkins, at 5-11, and Hank Paul, 5-11 junior, just miss the magic level. Smallest of the returning monogram winners is guard Rich Weleski, 5-7 senior.

This is more than enough height and experience than any other club in the area can boast. But before Knoch opponents reach for the crying towel, they must remember the Knights will compete in the Butler County loop as a Class A entry. To become eligible for the post-season playoffs, the Knights must win 65 per cent of their league tests and not lose to any team more than once.

Knoch's size doesn't stop with the lettermen. The Knights still have more in 6-3 Ken Reiger, a junior center, and John Sepich, a 6-2 senior forward.

Rounding out the varsity squad are Derek Lynch, 5-11 junior forward, and Rich Graff, 5-6 junior guard.

Aiding Mahan with the hardwood program at Knoch High is Paul White, former Geneva performer.

Lost from last year are George

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Veteran Knoch

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McLaughlin, John Broderick and Blair Harvey.

Knoch High Ushers in Season

Exhibition Cage Play Starts Tomorrow

Knoch High School of Saxonburg will have the honor of ushering in the 1961-62 area basketball season tomorrow night.

The Knights will be home to Union Joint, starting 8 o'clock.

It will be only a preview as the roundball sport shifts into high gear Friday night when 11 district contests are scheduled.

The first week's action will be concluded Saturday night when Natrona St. Joseph High School clashes with St. Cosmos of Punxsutawney on the Har-Brack High floor.

All area teams will play an exhibition schedule during the month of December except Franklin Area of Murrysville. The Longhorns jump the gun on Tuesday, Dec. 12, when they travel to meet Glassport in Section 16-B play.

2 New Coaches

There are nine teams in that section and that is the reason for the early starting date.

Friday night's card finds several interesting games scheduled. Seven of the 11 games match A-K Valley rivals. Also, two coaches will be making their debut — Dan Estadt at Tarentum and Ossie Santacroce at Pine-Richland.

Topping the slate are the Springdale at New Kensington contest and Tarentum's visit to Ford City.

All four teams are considered to be in the thick of the battle for sectional flags. The Raiders and the Glassers are enrolled in Section 1-A while the Dynamos and the Redcats are in Section 11-A.

Springdale won the title last season but lost its entire starting unit.

Har-Brack Is Home

Har-Brack, defending champion in Section 1-A, should bump Plum when they collide on the Big Green's floor. Vandergrift, another veteran squad, is home to Apollo in a Kiski Valley rival match.

Freeport, which could sneak into the Section 11 title, is at Oakmont. Arnold, with Larry McGuire starting his 26th year as head mentor, plays host to Hampton. McGuire is the dean of area cage coaches.

Bell-Avon is at East Deer-Frazer. Leechburg visits West Deer, Franklin travels to Wilmerding and North Allegheny is the visitor at Pine-Richland in other games.

START BALL ROLLING — Knoch High School of Saxonburg will usher in the area basketball season tomorrow night when it plays host to Union Joint High in exhibition play. These six senior cagers will see a lot of action for the Knights. They are from left, Bob Rothen, Rich Weleski, Ben Day, Jerry Younkins, John Sepich and Paul Kimmel. Knoch participated in the PIAA playoffs last season and was ousted by DuBois.

Knoch Sports 1961'62

Basketball 23-1

Butler County Champs

AND THEY'RE OFF—Knoch High School's Dan Flick (21), appears to be off to the races in Saturday afternoon's game at the Saxonburg field. However, Flick was tackled from behind on the Mars' two-yard stripe, after jaunting from his own 2. Mars' halfback Ron Keener made the tackle. Flick was taken out of the game at this point, but Alan Cypher promptly crashed over for the score. Knoch won its opening contest 12-7 in a Butler County League tilt.

In Butler County Play

Knoch Downs Mars, 12-7

By DICK VIGRASS

The running of senior halfback Dan Flick of Knoch High School was too much for Mars as the Purple Knights squeezed out a 12-7 victory in a Saturday afternoon Butler County League football contest.

Flick accounted for the Knights' first TD in the second period with a 14-yard slant off tackle.

It was Flick again in the fourth quarter. With the score still 6-0, the 185-pound speedster dashed 96 yards, from the Knoch 2 to the Mars 2.

His bid for a long touchdown was spoiled at the last second by Mars halfback Ron Keener who dragged Flick down from behind with a desperation lunge.

Cypher Registers TD

Knoch coach John Masarik lifted Flick from the game after his long dash, but the pigskin was pushed across the goal line on the next play with a quarterback sneak by Alan Cypher.

Mars came alive after Knoch's second TD and marched quickly to their lone tally.

Their drive to paydirt covered 60 yards in eight plays, capped by a one-yard plunge by quarterback Rich Hasley. Bob Goliat's placement split the uprights to set the score at 12-7 with a little over five minutes left to play.

The Knights failed to move the ball after the Mars TD and were forced to punt, giving Mars one last opportunity to salvage a win.

With time running out Mars tried an aerial barrage, but the hard-charging Knoch line forced Hasley to throw astray on the only pass he managed to get away. Hasley was thrown for losses of eight, five and 15 yards in the last three plays of the game.

Statistics

	Knoch	Mars
First downs	10	12
Yds. gained rush.	237	171
Yds. lost rush.	21	49
Net gain rush.	216	122
Passes attempted	5	5
Passes completed	2	1
Yds. gained pass.	10	25
Net yardage	226	147
Penalties	1	3
Yds. penalized	5	25

Statistically, Knoch appeared to dominate the game. Except for Flick's long dash, however, the two teams played evenly and the victory might easily have gone to the visiting squad.

Early in the first quarter Mars blocked a punt by Flick that was recovered by tackle Jack Stirling on the Knikhts' 27-yard stripe. Three plays netted only seven yards to the Knoch 20 and a fourth down pass by Hasley overshot end Mike Catterall in the end zone.

Moments later Mars challenged again when halfback Bob Goliat returned a punt 20 yards to the Knnch 16.

Coach Gene Danser's team was denied again when Butch Blandford fumbled in the second play of the series.

From then until Knoch broke through to scnre in the third period the game was evenly fought with neither team penetrating beyond the other's 30.

Following Knoch's first tally, Mars drnve to the Knoch 9, only to lose the ball on another fumble.

Flick's 96-yard jaunt broke the game wide open three plays later and Mars' hopes were permanently dimmed.

SIDELINE SLANTS — Knoch's failure to convert in two placement attempts lnomed as their possihle downfall in the late stages of the game . . . The 90-degree heat in Saxonburg didn't seem to hother either squad as they battled doggedly until the final whistle . . . The officials had it easy, with only four penalties marring a cleanly played ball game.

Lineups

Knoch—12

ENDS: Clark, Welling, Hall, Paul
TACKLES: Miller, Hixon, Reamer Fowler, Jordan
GUARDS: Matnes, Cox, Olesnivich.
CENTER: Ekas.
BACKS: Cypher, McCuen, Thompson, Flick, Stepanovich, Genlile Doughty

Mars—7

ENDS: Ritchey, Matthews, Catterall, Spencer
TACKLES: Miller, Stirling, Gallagher
GUARDS: Purcis, Anders, Gressley, Aiken
CENTER: Wiemann
BACKS: Fox, Goliat, Hasley Keener, Nichols, Blandford, Stauffer

Score by quarters:

	1	2	3	4	
Knoch	0	0	6	6	12
Mars	0	0	0	7	7

TDs: Flick, Cypher, Hasley.
EPs: Goliat (Kick).
Officials: DeVenzio, Furer, Willwohl.

Knoch Sports 1961

Football

JUNIOR HIGH

Oct 5—Th—MARS	Home		4:00 p.m
Oct. 12—Th—FREEPORT	Away		4:00 p.m.
Oct 19—Th—MONITEAU	Home		4:00 p.m.
Oct 26—Th SPRINGDALE	Away		7:30 p.m.

KNOCH BACK ACE—Dan Flick of Knoch High School will lead his mates in battle Saturday afternoon on the Saxonburg gridiron against Moniteau. Flick is the Knights' fullback and ace backfield man. The 5-foot 10, 185-pound senior has three years varsity experience under his belt.

Finished with 3-5 season

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